



**Northcote & Thornbury**  
Catholic Parishes



**PARISH OF HOLY SPIRIT  
AND ST ANTHONY'S**

Parish Priest: Fr Shabin Kaniampuram IVDei  
Pastoral Associate: Mirella Pace (Wed/Thur 9-2pm)  
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### Reconciliation Times

10.30am Saturdays— St. Mary's  
4.30pm Saturdays — Holy Spirit  
5.00pm Saturdays - St. Joseph's  
11am Sundays—St. Anthony's

### MASS TIMES

#### St. Mary's Thornbury

**Sunday:** 10.00am English/Italian  
5.30pm English

**Weekdays:** Wednesday, 9.15am  
Italian

#### St. Joseph's Northcote

**Saturday:** 5.30pm

**Sunday:** 11:00am Eng/Italian

**Weekdays:** Tuesday, 9.15am English

#### Holy Spirit Thornbury East

**Saturday:** 5.00pm

**Sunday:** 9:30am

**Weekdays:** Thursday, 9.15am Italian

#### St. Anthony's Alphington

**Sunday:** 9.00am Italian

11.00am English

**Weekdays:** Friday, 9.15am English

### FEAST DAYS IN THE WEEK

19 Sept: St Januarius

20 Sept: Sts Andrew Kimtae-gòn,  
Paul Chông Ha-sang & Companions

21 Sept: St. Matthew Apostle &  
Evangelist

23 Sept: St. Pius of Pietrelcina

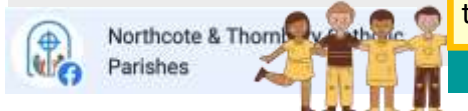
### Recently Deceased

Palma Di Pierro

### Anniversaries

Fahima, Gorges & Talal Mansour;  
Hefa John; Johnny El-Fakhri; Hanna  
and Badwia Ghostine; Hanna Moussa  
Fakhry; Nahme Taree Sukkar and  
Mariam Baini; Ponpilio Carinci.

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### ST. JOSEPH'S NORTHCOTE

140 Westbourne Grove, Northcote 3070  
Principal: Mary Kearney | Ph: 9481 7166

#### Partnership Parish Office Address

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**Office Number 9484 2907**

**Office Hours Mon-Frid 9am-2pm**

### PARISH OF HOLY SPIRIT AND ST ANTHONY'S

45 Railway Pl, Alphington VIC 3078  
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**Pastoral Worker:** Pauline Egan  
**Principals:** Rob Costin, Holy Spirit Primary School,  
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24 Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

16/17 September 2023

# Congratulations 100 yrs service



## 1923-2023

Today we celebrate 100 years of dedicated service by the Society of St. Vincent De Paul, Thornbury and Thornbury East Conference.

We welcome them to 10am Mass at St. Mary's and pray that they may continue to grow in numbers so that they may serve the poor and needy in our Parish Communities. On this day we invite all to give thanks for their members who stand with and provide support to those who are marginalized and vulnerable within our communities. We recognize with deep gratitude, their work of visitation in the evenings and support them by our prayers and donations. If you would like to know more about the Thornbury/Thornbury East Conference

### The Parish Dinner Dance is coming, join the celebration!

Join us to celebrate our four church communities in partnership. This year we celebrate the **130th anniversary of St Joseph's in Northcote, the centenary of St Mary's in Thornbury, the 70th anniversary of Holy Spirit in East Thornbury and the thriving community of St Anthony's in Alphington.**

Our partnership parishes combined dinner dance is on **Saturday 21st October from 6.30 pm at the Furlan Club in Thornbury.** It's been a big year of celebrations in our 4 church communities this year and this will be a chance for us to all get together for a combined celebration. Tickets will be \$60 adults; \$15 children. Make up a table of your friends and family. Tickets will be sold on line (through trybooking -booking fee applies)

<https://www.trybooking.com/CLKCM> after Mass on Sundays and through the Parish Office.



This parish has a commitment to ensuring the safety of children and vulnerable people in our community.

**FIRST READING:** Eccl 27:30-28:7

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus

Resentment and anger, these are foul things,  
and both are found with the sinner.  
He who exacts vengeance will experience the  
vengeance of the Lord, who keeps strict account of  
sin. Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and  
when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.  
If a man nurses anger against another, can he then  
demand compassion from the Lord?  
Showing no pity for a man like himself, can he then  
plead for his own sins?  
Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment;  
who will forgive him his sins? Remember the last  
things, and stop hating, remember dissolution and  
death, and live by the commandments. Remember  
the commandments, and do not bear your neighbour  
ill-will; remember the covenant of the most high, and  
overlook the offence.  
The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Ps 102: 1-4. 9-12. R: v8

**R:    *The Lord is kind and merciful;  
slow to anger and rich in compassion***

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord,  
All my being, bless his holy name.  
My soul, give thanks to the Lord  
And never forget all his blessings.
2. It is he who forgives all your guilt,  
Who heals every one of your ills,  
Who redeems your life from the grave,  
Who crowns you with love and compassion.
3. His wrath will come to an end;  
He will not be angry for ever.  
He does not treat us according to our sins  
Nor repay us according to our faults.
4. For as the heavens are high above the earth  
So strong is his love for those who fear him.  
As far as the east is from the west  
So far he remove our sins.

**R:    *The Lord is kind and merciful;  
slow to anger and rich in compassion***

**SECOND READING** Romans 14:7-9

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

The life and death of each of us has its influence on  
others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we  
die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the  
Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to  
life, it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead  
and of the living.    The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God**

**Gospel Acclamation    (Jn 13:34)**

Alleluia, alleluia!    I give you a new commandment:  
Love one another as I have loved you.  
Alleluia!

**THE GOSPEL** Mt 18:21-35

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mathew

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I  
forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven  
times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-  
seven times.  
'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king  
who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When  
the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed  
ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so  
his master gave orders that he should be sold, together  
with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet  
the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his  
master's feet. "Give me time" he said "and I will pay the  
whole sum." And the servant's master felt so sorry for him  
that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this  
servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant  
who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by  
the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe  
me" he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored  
him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you". But the  
other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him  
thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow  
servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had  
happened, and they went to their master and reported the  
whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You  
wicked servant," he said "I cancelled all that debt of yours  
when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to  
have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?"  
And in his anger the master handed him over to the  
torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my  
heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive  
your brother from your heart.'    The Gospel of the Lord

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Next week's readings: 25 Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A.**  
Is 55: 6-9    Psalm:144    Phil 1: 20-24,27    Matt 20:1-16

**Prima Lettura** Sir 27, 33-28,9

Dal libro del Siràcide

Rancore e ira sono cose orribili, e il peccatore le porta dentro.

Chi si vendica subirà la vendetta del Signore, il quale tiene sempre presenti i suoi peccati.

Perdona l'offesa al tuo prossimo e per la tua preghiera ti saranno rimessi i peccati.

Un uomo che resta in collera verso un altro uomo, come può chiedere la guarigione al Signore?

Lui che non ha misericordia per l'uomo suo simile, come può supplicare per i propri peccati?

Se lui, che è soltanto carne, conserva rancore, come può ottenere il perdono di Dio?

Chi espierà per i suoi peccati?

Ricordati della fine e smetti di odiare, della dissoluzione e della morte e resta fedele ai comandamenti.

Ricorda i precetti e non odiare il prossimo, l'alleanza dell'Altissimo e dimentica gli errori altrui. Parola di Dio

**Tutti: Rendiamo grazie a Dio****Salmo responsoriale** Sal 102**R: Il Signore è buono e grande nell'amore.**

1. Benedici il Signore, anima mia,  
quanto è in me benedica il suo santo nome.  
Benedici il Signore, anima mia,  
non dimenticare tutti i suoi benefici.

2. Egli perdona tutte le tue colpe,  
guarisce tutte le tue infermità,  
salva dalla fossa la tua vita,  
ti circonda di bontà e misericordia.

3. Non è in lite per sempre,  
non rimane adirato in eterno.  
Non ci tratta secondo i nostri peccati  
e non ci ripaga secondo le nostre colpe.

4. Perché quanto il cielo è alto sulla terra,  
così la sua misericordia è potente su quelli che lo temono;  
quanto dista l'oriente dall'occidente,  
così egli allontana da noi le nostre colpe.

**R: Il Signore è buono e grande nell'amore.****Seconda lettura** Rm 14,7-9

Dalla lettera di san Paolo apostolo ai Romani

Fratelli, nessuno di noi vive per se stesso e nessuno muore per se stesso, perché se noi viviamo, viviamo per il Signore, se noi moriamo, moriamo per il Signore.

Sia che viviamo, sia che moriamo, siamo del Signore.

Per questo infatti Cristo è morto ed è ritornato alla vita: per essere il Signore dei morti e dei vivi. Parola di Dio

**Tutti: Rendiamo grazie a Dio****Canto al Vangelo.**

Alleluia, alleluia.

Vi do un comandamento nuovo, dice il Signore: come io ho amato voi, così amatevi anche voi gli uni gli altri. Alleluia.

**Vangelo** Mt 18,21-35

Dal Vangelo secondo Matteo

In quel tempo, Pietro si avvicinò a Gesù e gli disse: «Signore, se il mio fratello commette colpe contro di me, quante volte dovrò perdonargli? Fino a sette volte?». E Gesù gli rispose: «Non ti dico fino a sette volte, ma fino a settanta volte sette.

Per questo, il regno dei cieli è simile a un re che volle regolare i conti con i suoi servi. Aveva cominciato a regolare i conti, quando gli fu presentato un tale che gli doveva diecimila talenti. Poiché costui non era in grado di restituire, il padrone ordinò che fosse venduto lui con la moglie, i figli e quanto possedeva, e così saldasse il debito. Allora il servo, prostrato a terra, lo supplicava dicendo: "Abbi pazienza con me e ti restituirò ogni cosa". Il padrone ebbe compassione di quel servo, lo lasciò andare e gli condonò il debito.

Appena uscito, quel servo trovò uno dei suoi compagni, che gli doveva cento denari. Lo prese per il collo e lo soffocava, dicendo: "Restituisci quello che devi!". Il suo compagno, prostrato a terra, lo pregava dicendo: "Abbi pazienza con me e ti restituirò". Ma egli non volle, andò e lo fece gettare in prigione, fino a che non avesse pagato il debito.

Visto quello che accadeva, i suoi compagni furono molto dispiaciuti e andarono a riferire al loro padrone tutto l'accaduto. Allora il padrone fece chiamare quell'uomo e gli disse: "Servo malvagio, io ti ho condonato tutto quel debito perché tu mi hai pregato. Non dovevi anche tu aver pietà del tuo compagno, così come io ho avuto pietà di te?". Sdegnato, il padrone lo diede in mano agli aguzzini, finché non avesse restituito tutto il dovuto.

Così anche il Padre mio celeste farà con voi se non perdonerete di cuore, ciascuno al proprio fratello». Parola del Signore.

**Tutti: Lode a te o Cristo.**

## WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Names will remain for 4 weeks, then a new request is required.

Laura Xuereb; Vittoria Caladonna; Dion Cassar; Suhaila & Gorges Yousif, Jamal & Ibtsam Gorges and Lucy Ghibeh.

## HOUSE VISITATIONS

Do you or someone you know require any of the following

- Annual House Visits
- Visits to the Sick
- Anointing of the Sick

Please contact the Presbytery on 9484 2907 to arrange a time with Fr Shabin or Fr. Dixon.

## SICK OR HOUSEBOUND / MALATE O

## CONFINATE A CASA

Se conoscete persone che sono malate o confinate a casa e vorrebbero ricevere visite o la comunione a casa siete pregati di mettervi in contatto contact Parish Offices **9484 2907**

## CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

**Every Thursday at Holy Spirit Parish Office room at 10-11am ALL WELCOME!**

Contact: Mirella at [Thornbury@cam.org.au](mailto:Thornbury@cam.org.au)

## BAPTISMS: by appointment only

- 1 Sunday of the month - St. Mary's at **12.30pm**
- 2 Sunday of the month - Holy Spirit at **9.30am**
- 3 Sunday of the month - St. Anthony's at **11am**
- 4 Sunday of the month - St. Joseph's at **11am**

## First Wednesday of the month.

**St. Joseph's:** Baptism Preparation by appointment only.

**St. Mary's:** By appointment only please call parish Office

**St Anthony's and Holy Spirit :** Baptism prep session 1st Saturday of the month 10am with Kevin and Katrina Jansz.

## SENIORS

After the Thursday Italian Mass 9.15am at Holy Spirit Parish Hall.

- Dopo messa Bingo e carte nella sala, si offre caffè e biscotti. Tutti benvenuti

After Mass, Bingo and cards in the hall, with Coffee and biscuits offered). All Welcome.

## Last Friday of the month

**St. Joseph's Seniors Mass every last Friday of the Month at 10.30am in the church.**

Parrochiani anziani di San Giuseppe sono invitati a partecipare alla **Santa Messa ultimo Venerdì del mese alle 10.30am.**

## Masses of Anointing of the Sick

9.15am Mass of Anointing of the Sick will take place in the first week of the month at all Parishes at respective weekday Mass time.

## "Telephone Prayer meeting"

When: Every Tuesday at 11.30am  
Dial: **07- 5660 6012** (call from home)

Access code: **722762 #**

Cost: Cost of a local call. Open to all.

## Catholic Religious Education

**St. Mary's: Sundays at 9.45 am.** R.E Classes in preparation for Sacraments. Please contact Mirella 9484 2907.

**St Anthony's and Holy Spirit :** Sacramental program 5pm to 6pm in meeting room St Anthony's, six weeks before the Sacrament is received.

## Safeguarding Children, Young

## People and Vulnerable People Committee

Contact Person: Moses El-Fakhri via Parish Office.

## Parish Notices



## St Joseph's Northcote 130 Anniversary Mass Sunday 15 October 11.00a.m.

The interior of our beautiful church, blessed and opened on Sunday 25 February 1917 has seen a number of changes over the last 100 years. What aspects of the original interior do you remember?

**Please celebrate with our community at 11.00 a.m. and with 'a cuppa' in the school after Mass. If you are able to make something for morning tea, please drop it off at the school office before Mass.**

## 2024 Study Tour

*Journey with Paul: Türkiye – Greece: 20 September – 6 October 2024*

Tour Leader: Dr Rosemary Canavan

**Online Information Sessions:** Saturday 16, 23 September, or 7 October 2023 at 2pm

Participants have the opportunity to undertake a study unit with CTC in conjunction with the tour for credit towards an award

RSVP & further information: [rosemary.canavan@ctc.edu.au](mailto:rosemary.canavan@ctc.edu.au)



## Sacrament of Baptism



**Vytautas and Diana Antanaitis** present for baptism their child **Meda** at St. Anthony's on Sunday. We welcome them into the Christian Community. We congratulate the family and pray for their spiritual growth and wellbeing in the Lord.



Aid to the  
Church in Need  
ACN AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND

Karla Smegac from **Aid to Church in Need** will speak at the Masses on **23/24 September**. The aim is to share a 3-5 minute presentation (talk) about their work.

Aid to the Church in Need assists persecuted Catholics around the world. Karla will also bring some religious items for purchase and an exhibition (banners) on Modern Martyrs that are available to purchase after Mass.

**5pm: Holy Spirit; 10am St. Mary's; 5:30pm St. Mary's**  
**4/5 November Karla will visit St. Anthony's and St. Joseph's**

**Columban Calendars 2024 are now available for purchase from back of the churches or via Parish Office. \$10 each**



## How can you contribute to our parishes

This QR code is unique to St Anthony, Alphington and Holy Spirit, Thornbury East and will give parishioners direct access to our CDF pay web page. To make a payment, parishioners simply scan our CDF pay QR code with their mobile phone and follow a few easy steps.

If you would like to donate via Tap and Go please use the terminal located in the foyer. The limit is \$5. All you need to do to make a donation is tap the terminal with your credit card/ debit card/smart phone smart watch - donations will go straight in to our Church

account. **Church Account: Holy Spirit and St Anthony's Account:** BSB 083 347 Account 573502200

**Presbytery Accounts:** St Mary's & St Joseph's BSB 083 347 Account 857260792

**Church account St. Mary's:** BSB: 083 347 Account: 557931064

**Church account: St. Joseph's: BSB: 083 347 Account: 663182650**